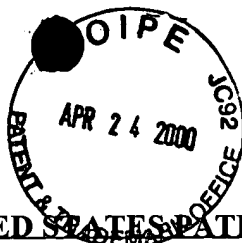


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PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 15, 2000, said period of response being extended from April 15, 2000 to May 15, 2000.

Please charge the extension fee of \$110.00 and any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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